

RAVENNA CITY COUNCIL Special Meeting Minutes June 15th, 2020

The public meeting was held via Zoom and live streamed via YouTube. A video recording of the meeting can be found at: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ks4bEqhiijs

The Special Meeting of Ravenna City Council was called to order at 5:30 P.M. June 15, 2020 by Council President, Andrew Kluge.

Council present via Zoom: Council President Andrew Kluge, Amy Michael, Rob Kairis, Paul Moskun, Cheryl Wood, Tim Calfee, Christina West, and Matt Harper. Also attending the meeting via Zoom: Police Chief, Jeff Wallis; Acting Fire Chief, Mark Chapple; Finance Director, Brian Huff; City Engineer, Bob Finney; Service Director, Kay Dubinsky; Water Superintendent, Tim Stephens, Quality IP, Katie Mazanek and Council Clerk, Chelsea Gregor

The Clerk read the Call to the Special Meeting stating the purpose of the meeting is to discuss and/or act upon creating a special Council sub-committee under the Planning Committee to discuss the Maple Grove Cemetery union.

Mr. Kluge stated that Council members should have received a letter, which was regarding the cemetery union with Ravenna Township and the City of Ravenna. He said the letter and its request will be discussed separately. He added that the only thing that will be discussed is the formation of a subcommittee which will look at the Maple Grove Cemetery union, its importance to the City and the partnership with the Township.

Mr. Kluge stated that it was his recommendation and his request for Council to vote to form the committee. He is asking that Mr. Kairis be the Chairperson, since it falls under the Planning Committee, and Mr. Harper and Mr. Moskun, since they are on the Cemetery Board. Mr. Kairis asked if the specific charge is to review the relationship between the Township and the City regarding the cemetery, and how broad or specific it should be. Mr. Kluge stated that the topic currently is very broad and the only information that Council has is on paper. There was a letter received from Chad Murdock and a request for budget cuts from the Township. It is a place to start from and ask questions while including the Law Director. Mr. Kluge said that eventually Council and the Township will have to come together to discuss things. There are a lot of questions that still need to be answered. All of Council is invited to partake in the discussion but Mr. Kluge stated it is the committee who will be leading the charge. Through mediation the process could be short, or if the City were to pull out over the next three years the committee could be tasked with a longer job of keeping up to date on cemetery issues.

Motion to approve the formation of the subcommittee with the recommended persons selected by Ms. Wood, 2nd by Mr. Calfee- Ms. Wood, Mr. Calfee, Ms. West, Mr. Harper, Ms. Michael, Mr. Kairis -All Ayes, Mr. Moskun- Abstained

Clerk of Council	Council President
ATTEST:	
There being no further business before Council, the meeting adjourned at 5:35 P.M.	